

CHU.001 Amendment to H.R. 4521 America Competes Act

There are notable instances where certain Federal law enforcement officials and institutions have contributed towards a negative growing perception that being of Asian ancestry or having ties to China render an individual more suspect of espionage and that such perceptions have created a culture of fear that has negatively impacted the Asian American community;

U.S. policy should guard against unjustly targeting scientists, academics, researchers, and institutional faculty members on the basis of Chinese ethnicity or familial background, as the Federal Bureau of Investigation and National Institutes of Health previously have done under the Economic Espionage Act, damaging careers, reputations, and lives, and subsequently harming the freedom of intellectual and academic exchange;

Competition with the PRC must refrain from targeting Chinese and Chinese American scientists, researchers, and academics on the basis of their ethnicity or familial heritage, and that the body rejects any dangerous attempts to portray Chinese students, professors, and scholars with more suspicion than non-Chinese academics.